

Don Johnson

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From: Walter Foster II
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2003 9:38 AM
To: Dore' Hunter; Board of Selectmen
Cc: Manager Department
Subject: Re: Request for 5/19 Meeting Agenda Item for MBTA Draft PMT

Dore,

Thanks for your email and by copy of my reply to Don, we will put this on the 19th's agenda. I agree whole heartedly with Trey's sentiment that you should continue on as the rep to the MBTA advisory Board. As I will remind everyone, the MBTA is my client in my private life as an attorney and I will continue to abide by the dictates of c. 268A whenever issues regarding the MBTA are before the Board. I also believe that your longstanding membership puts Acton in a good position to weigh in on issues that seem to take a lifetime. Unless I hear from anyone else on the Board regarding this matter, consider yourself re-appointed for the foreseeable future and thanks for your hard work.

Sincerely,
Walter Foster

Walter,

The MBTA Advisory Board meets on May 29th to approve the MBTA's Program for Mass Transportation [PMT], the fiscally unrestrained improvement vision for mass transportation improvement in the coming years. I am Acton's Advisory Board representative. I would like to summarize what is and is not included in the PMT and get the sense of the Board how I should vote. I submit this should be on the Agenda.

The Advisory Board will also vote on the MBTA's FY 2004 budget, which approaches \$1B, as well. Whats a million or two here or there - seriously I don't need direction on that necessarily, the Advisory Board staff and a Board committee do a satisfactory analysis.

By the way, you as the Chief Elected Official of the Town are entitled to appoint yourself as the MBTA Advisory Board representative if you wish. I was the Chairman when Acton was first dragged into the expanded MBTA membership area and then appointed myself. I would prefer to stay on the Advisory Board as I have for the two years since my last chairmanship as it takes a while to know whos who and really get up to speed, but its your call.

Regards,
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